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E.O. 11652: GDS TAGS: BFOR, NI

SUBJECT: ASHLAND OIL PAYMENTS TO NIGERIAN CITIZEN

REF: STATE 140449

1. FYI. INFO CONTAINED REFTEL (REPEATED IBADAN) STRIKES US AS ODD BECAUSE (1) TO OUR KNOWLEDGE ASHLAND NOT ACTIVE IN NIGERIA IN LATE 1960'S (ASHLAND'S ONLY BUSINESS IN NIGERIA RESULTS FROM PRODUCTION SHARING CONTRACT SIGNED WITH NNOC IN JUNE 1973) AND (2) CHIEF BABATUNDE REMILEKUN ADE B. FANI-KAYODE, A FORMER WESTERN REGION POLITICIAN, WAS SELF-EXILED IN LONDON FROM JUST AFTER THE TWO MILITARY COUPS IN 1966 UNTIL APRIL 15, 1970 (BIODATA AVAILABLE IN INR/OIL). END FYI.

- 2. EMBASSY IS CURIOUS TO KNOW IF ASHLAND HAS QUALIFIED INFORMATION BEING SUBMITTED TO SENATE COMMITTEE BY SAYING OR IMPLYING THAT THIS IS ONLY PAYMENT INVOLVING NIGERIA OR NIGERIANS DURING A SPECIFIC PERIOD OF TIME.
- 3. AMCONSUL IBADAN MAY HAVE FURTHER COMMENT ON FANI-KAYODE. EASUM $\,$

NOTE BY OC/T: REFTEL 140449 CONCERNS BECHTEL V. ASHLAND MAY BE INCORRECT. NON-EXDIS, SAME POST. CONFIDENTIAL

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